Subsidy to States

1909. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the amount of subsidy given by the Union Government to States for the various purposes during the last three years; and

(b) how much amount Gujarat has received out of this amount during the above period, year-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) and(b) Information is being colected and will be laid on the table of the House as sonn as possibe.

Import of Synthetic Sugar by Cold Drink and Confectionery Firms

1910. SHRI ADINARAYANA REDDY: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that many cold drink and confectionary firms have been permitted to import synthetic sugar for their products;

(b) if so, the quantum of Import of such sugar during the last three years, year-wise and firm-wise;

(c) how can such imports be permitted when India is not able to sell her own sugar to foreign countries; and

(d) what is the present surplus stock of sugar for export and for home consumption separately?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): (a) and (b). No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise in view of (a) and (b) above.

(d) There is no surplus stock of sugar at present for export.

The stocks of sugar with the sugar factories as on 7-7-1985 were of the order of 28.30 lakh tonnes to be utilised for internal consumption.

Fall in profit of Nationalised Banks

1911. SHRI ADINARAYANA REDDY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the profitability of the nationalised banks are falling despite increase in deposits;

(b) what are the names of the banks where this phenomenon has come to light;

(c) what is the rate of profitability of each bank in its operation within the country as also outside;

(d) how much non-profitability can be attributed to non-payment of loans by State undertakings and how much is due to frauds; and

(e) what steps are being taken to deal with the situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) and (b) The information relating to the published profits of each of the 20 nationalised banks for 1983 and 1984 as furnished by the Reserve Bank of India is given in the enclosed Statement. (See below). It may be seen from the statement at Annexure that only in respect of six banks there has been a decrease in profits in 1984 as compared to 1983. The names of the six banks are Bank of Baroda, Bank of Maharashtra, Central Bank of India, Dena Bank, New Bank of India and United Bank of India.

(c) The form of Balance Sheet and Profit & Loss Account, prescribed in the Banking Regulation Act, 1949, requires the bank to publish accounts of their corporate operations on an aggregate basis. No separate accounts are, therefore, published in respect of operations of specific groups of branches of banks.

(d) Various factors affect the profitability of nationalised banks. It is not practicable to apportion the overall impact to different factors.

(e) The question of improving the profitability of nationalised banks has been under continual review of the Government